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A NEW SPIN



Meredith Chasin, a first-year student in arts and science, uses her body weight to put this gyroscope in motion during Clubs Day on front campus Sept. 14. The annual event, organized by the Students' Administrative Council, gives students an opportunity to learn about the more than 200 student clubs available at U of T.

SCS CHARTS NEW COURSE

Building makeover reflects new vision

By KAREN KELLY

THERE AREN'T MANY SPOTS WHERE MAYOR DAVID Miller drops by to share his Utopian view of Toronto. Fewer where renowned philosopher Mark Kingwell discusses over brunch what it means to be human. Rarer still are places that invite the whole community to share in this intellectual crossroad.

The reopening of the 158 St. George St. building will change all of that. To celebrate its return to the main campus after nearly two years in a temporary home on University Avenue, the School of

Continuing Studies — a U of T academic division that provides education to anyone interested in learning for the sake of it — will offer a gamut of workshops and lectures. In typical SCS style, they will be open to anyone and everyone from 18 to 100 years old.

"Our goal has always been to make education accessible to the community at the same level of excellence that one would experience in a degree

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Performance Measures Expanded

By Michah Rynor

U OF T CONTINUES TO OUTRANK all other Canadian universities and colleges when it comes to faculty honours. The university garners between 12.6 and 66 per cent of distinctions conferred by international agencies to faculty in Canadian institutions despite accounting for just under seven per cent of faculty in Canadian universities, according to the annual performance indicators report presented to Governing Council Sept. 23.

During her presentation, Professor Carolyn Tuohy, vice-president (government and institutional relations), highlighted that U of T received more than its share of honours from the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, National Academy of Sciences and the Royal Society. The university also continues to have an excellent representation

for Guggenheim and Sloan fellowships and is a national leader in Steacie, Killam and Molson prizes. These indicators demonstrate the wonderful opportunities that U of T students have to interact with leading scholars in their disciplines, she said.

"Performance indicator data are used annually in assessing our success in pursuing our mission to rank with the finest public teaching and research universities in the world," Tuohy said in an interview. "This requires that we seek out and develop sources of credible and comparable data and report publicly, through our governors, a number of key performance measures."

Tuohy emphasized that no one set of aggregate measures can capture the complexity of any university, let alone one as diverse as U of T. "Nonetheless," she added,

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Student Computers Get Virus Checkup

By Bruce Rolston

QUARANTINING USED TO MEAN isolating people to protect them from real viruses. But U of T's computing and networking services (CNS) office has created a method to quarantine new computers on campus to protect them from getting computer infections or spreading them around campus.

Every September thousands of U of T students arrive at residences with personal computers they want to connect with the Internet, often through wall jacks in their residence rooms. However, the growing threat computer viruses and worms pose to those computers today means a computer running Windows that doesn't already have all the latest security patches doesn't stand much chance.

"They did a study recently that shows an unpatched machine lasts about 20 minutes on the Internet without getting infected by something," said David Auclair, residence network administrator for New College. "Last September, with Welchia and other viruses, hundreds of campus machines were infected.

It caused so much junk traffic it affected everyone at U of T."

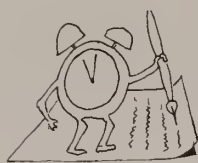
To prevent that happening in future, three U of T residences have been testing a new software tool designed by the CNS office. The End-point Security Policy tool (ESP) helps users evaluate their computers when they first try to connect to the Internet from campus and determine if it is patched to the current standard before exposing them to possible attacks.

Students returning to residence at Trinity, Innis and New colleges are, on their first plug-in, being quarantined from the Internet briefly while ESP checks that their security protections are fully up-to-date. Once they are, the user then restarts his or her machine and receives full residence network access. The whole process takes a couple minutes.

Auclair said the greatest beneficiary is the computer owner, especially one who may have just purchased a new computer for school. "This allows you a chance of getting up and running without getting infected," he said.

For more information on ESP, look on the web at <http://www.utoronto.ca/security/UTORprotect/ESP>

IN BRIEF



CAMPUS POLICE LAUNCH SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK

U OF T POLICE ON THE ST. GEORGE CAMPUS KICK OFF THE FOURTH ANNUAL Safety Awareness Week for the university community today. Students, staff and faculty can visit information booths set up by Police Services and the community safety office to learn about personal safety (including information on programs such as Walksafer and the Working Alone Service), sign up for self-defense courses and pick up tips on bicycle safety. Campus police will also serve a pancake breakfast and host a barbecue as part of a series of week-long events that ends Friday, Oct. 1. "Safety is essential to learning," said Kevin Kinsman, co-ordinator of the event and a special constable with Police Services. "If students are informed about their surroundings and the daily routines of the university police, the campus will be a safer place for everyone."

DON'T FLIP OUT, IT'S A PARTY!

U OF T'S PRINCIPALS, DEANS AND SENIOR ADMINISTRATORS WILL STEP OUT from behind their desks and lecterns to don aprons and chef's hats at the third annual faculty, staff and student barbecue on front campus Sept. 28. The barbecue has become an annual tradition since it began in 2002 as part of the university's 175th anniversary celebrations. This year's festivities run from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. In addition to hamburgers, hot dogs, veggie burgers and drinks, there will be games, prizes and live entertainment. For more information, visit news.utoronto.ca/signature/bbq.htm.

MACFARLANE NAMED TO PROVINCIAL COUNCIL FOR ARTS AND CULTURE

AVON MACFARLANE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF MAJOR GIFTS IN THE DIVISION OF University Advancement, has been appointed to the newly created Minister's Advisory Council for Arts and Culture. The Ontario government has established the council to involve artists in building strong and vibrant cultural communities. MacFarlane's career has included development work and project co-ordination at Harbourfront. She has also served as a judge of Prism, a national children's writing competition; as a board member of the Campus Community Co-operative Day Care Centre; as chair of the Artsweek programming committee; and as volunteer co-ordinator for the Toronto Arts Awards. Madeleine Meilleur, minister of culture, said in a press release that the 13-member council — chaired by Jim Fleck, president of the Art Gallery of Ontario Foundation — will help Ontario's artists be a part of building liveable communities. "Ultimately," Meilleur said, "this means a higher quality of life for the people of Ontario."

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2. It shall also publish campus news, letters and responsible opinion and report on events or issues at the University thoroughly and from all sides."

As approved by Governing Council, Feb. 3, 1988

AWARDS & HONOURS

FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

PROFESSOR LILY SHU OF MECHANICAL AND INDUSTRIAL engineering has been selected to receive the F.W. Taylor Medal of the Collège International pour l'Étude Scientifique des Techniques de Production Mécanique (CIRP), awarded to researchers of outstanding merit under the age of 35 who are authors of original scientific research work on topics that fall within the fields of CIRP. Shu won for her research on identifying and using biological analogies for any given design problem. The award, announced at the CIRP general assembly in Krakow, Poland, Aug. 22 to 28, will be conferred at the 2005 general assembly to be held in Antalya, Turkey.

FACULTY OF ARTS & SCIENCE

PROFESSOR EMERITUS THOMAS ROBINSON OF PHILOSOPHY was presented with an international festschrift at the recent triennial congress of the International Plato Society in Würzburg, Germany. Entitled *Greek Philosophy in the New Millennium: Essays in Honour of Thomas M. Robinson*, the volume is a series of 23 essays from scholars of Greek philosophy around the globe on the current state of the discipline in some 25 countries including several whose research and

scholarship receive little notice in the West such as Japan and China.

FACULTY OF MEDICINE

PROFESSOR PAUL PENCHARZ OF NUTRITIONAL SCIENCES IS this year's recipient of the Earle Willard McHenry Award of the Canadian Society for Nutritional Sciences. Pencharz received the award, given in recognition of distinguished service in the field of nutrition, June 19 at the society's annual dinner. Founded in 1957, the Canadian Society for Nutritional Sciences is a member society of the Canadian Society of Biological Sciences and represents nutritional scientists in academia, government, industry, hospitals and research institutes.



SCS Charts New Course

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program," said Mary Cone Barrie, SCS director.

Although classes will continue to be scattered all over campus and in five suburban locations, the renovated building will put an end to what Barrie called the SCS student's purely nomadic existence. Administration, students and their instructors will have at 158 St. George what in a college would be a common room, a café, lounge and quiet study area and meetings rooms.

"It's a place to hang your hat or have a cup of coffee with a fellow student," Barrie said. "We've never been able to provide that social dimension for our students, essentially a gathering place."

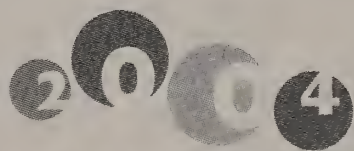
The renovation of the building is the brainchild of father and son architect team Raymond and Jason Moriyama, the former responsible for such buildings as the Ontario Science Centre and the Toronto Reference Library. With its well-lit and large glass

façade, Barrie said the revamped building will shine like a beacon.

"The architects have transformed the building into an accessible, open and friendly space that really does focus on the needs of the community," Barrie said. "It's an entry point to the campus that sends a statement of support."

Students such as Marianne Miller will fill the new space. A city employee by day, Miller attends the creative writing courses after work to cultivate her love of fiction. "I always wanted to try my hand at creative writing," she said, "And I was afraid to try, so I just did it!"

As well as honing her talent, Miller said another bonus of attending continuing education classes are the friendships she's formed with like-minded individuals. "It develops a community of people who have a similar interest to you," she said. "I'm looking at the new building as a centre for us."



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CUPE to Represent Stipendiary, Sessional Instructors

By Jessica Whiteside

THE ONTARIO LABOUR RELATIONS Board has issued a certificate naming the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE), Local 3902 as the bargaining agent for certain stipendiary and sessional instructors at U of T.

A number of votes cast last October had been segregated because of disagreement over the makeup of the bargaining unit. By January enough individual disputes had been resolved that the board was able to count the ballots and a majority of votes cast in the October unionization vote favoured representation by CUPE. While the university had proposed a membership of people teaching degree credit courses

from a half-credit through to 1.5 credits, believing those outside that range to have significantly different interests, CUPE had proposed to include a broader mix of sessional instructors as well as those involved in other activities such as marking, demonstrating or tutoring. In addition, the U of T Faculty Association argued that it has represented part-time faculty and that such individuals have a strong "community of interest" with other UTFA-represented faculty with longer contracts or tenure-stream positions.

The labour board decided in mid-August to grant the membership definition proposed by CUPE, after considering representations on the issue in January by the university, CUPE and UTFA.

Although there are a number of exceptions, the membership generally includes instructors whose employment covers terms of less than a year.

"We accept the decision of the Ontario Labour Relations Board and look forward to working with CUPE, Local 3902 in reaching a first collective agreement," said Professor Angela Hildyard, vice-president (human resources and equity). "The fact that the board has chosen to define the bargaining unit so broadly will make our work at the bargaining table that much more challenging. However, I am optimistic that we will find a way to deal fairly with the needs and interests of this new and diverse group."

Negotiations for a collective agreement could get underway by early November, said Hildyard, noting that the university has established a steering committee with representatives from relevant faculties and all three campuses. In the meantime, a freeze on changes to the terms and conditions of employment for individuals included in the new bargaining unit — in place since the application for certification was filed in April 2003 — will remain until a collective agreement is reached.

Mikael Swayze, staff representative for CUPE 3902, said he was delighted with the decision. "We won exactly what we wanted and we won it for the reasons that we advocated," he said. "The board agreed with us in full."

Local 3902 expects to hold an election for a bargaining committee in October but issues for bargaining have not yet been determined, Swayze said. "We still have to consult with our new membership."

The new unit is defined as "all persons engaged in teaching, demonstrating, tutoring or marking/grading" except for 14 defined groups including clinical lecturers in the faculties of medicine, nursing, dentistry and pharmacy; visiting professors; status-only appointments; people involved in the delivery of non-degree-credit courses (including continuing education courses); athletic instructors or coaches; and those employed on contractually limited term appointments, among others. The labour board's decision containing a full list of exclusions from the bargaining unit is available online at <http://www.utoronto.ca/hrhome/cupe3902sept04.pdf>

"In the long run I believe it would have been in our common best interest for all faculty to remain under the one UTFA umbrella," said Professor George Luste, president of UTFA, adding that UTFA accepts the board's decision and will do its best to work co-operatively with CUPE for the common benefit of all faculty.

GOING UP?



PASCAL PAQUETTE

Second-year astronomy student Mubdi Rahman served as operator for a day at the official opening of the Hart House elevator Sept. 23. Three years in the making, the elevator now makes Hart House Theatre accessible up to the top floor and connects the theatre to the rest of the house.

Till, McCulloch Enshrined in Medical Hall of Fame

By Elaine Smith

THE ACCOLADES JUST KEEP coming for University Professors Emeriti James Till and Ernest McCulloch. In June, the two, who are already members of the prestigious Royal Society, received honorary degrees at University of Toronto convocation ceremonies. At a ceremony to be held in Ottawa Sept. 30, they will be inducted into the Canadian Medical Hall of Fame for their pioneering research in hematology.

The two men, considered the fathers of modern experimental hematology, demonstrated the existence of stem cells that give rise to all blood cell types in 1961. Their work with these hematopoietic cells (found in bone marrow) paved the way for the development of the bone marrow transplant as a treatment for cancer.

"We weren't looking for anything like that," Till said. "Our original objective was to try to assess the radiation sensitivity of normal marrow cells."

There had been speculation about the existence of stem cells for many years, of course, but no one had ever been able to demonstrate their existence. "We provided a functional method for their detection," Till said. "For the first few years, no one paid much attention. Then they decided they could repeat our experiment and showed interest."

And they're still interested. Today, stem cell research is a billion-dollar industry, touted as the hope for treating everything from Parkinson's disease to spinal cord injuries. Yet, unlike Banting and Best who are renowned for their work with insulin, Till and McCulloch are household names

only to members of the scientific community. In those circles, they have received the highest honours, including the Lasker Prize, the pinnacle of success in blood science, and the Gairdner Foundation International Award.

The lack of household recognition doesn't faze Till, a physicist by training. "I never anticipated being famous, that's not how I dreamed then and it's still not," he said. "I just like to do things I find interesting. The kudos are accidental. I used to tell my students that I would do this even if they didn't pay me."

They're an unusual pair, Till and McCulloch, and perhaps that's one secret to their research success. Till is trained in the rigours of scientific research methods while McCulloch is a physician and more of a visionary. "We complemented each other," Till said. "I came from science, Ernest McCulloch came from medicine and we were able to combine our experience to novel things in experimental hematology. We also enjoyed each other's company, which matters a lot."

They still enjoy each other's company, although their research interests have diverged. Both men continue to do research at the Ontario Cancer Institute but McCulloch focuses on leukemia and Till explores the use of the Internet as a tool for supporting cancer patients. However, it's their early work that places them in the Canadian Medical Hall of Fame — their contribution to stem cell research is a lasting one.

"My father was a homesteader in Alberta, an agricultural pioneer," said Till. "I regard myself as the son of a pioneer who pioneers in a different way in the research frontier."

Program Offers Helping Hand to Grad Students

By Kristi Gourlay

FRANTICALLY JUGGLING THE competing responsibilities of school, family life and a part-time job all on a limited budget — and with only 24 hours in a day — is the reality for many graduate students. And many do not know where to turn for help to keep from being overwhelmed.

The recently launched Graduate Student Initiative (GSI) aims to change that. GSI is a collaborative effort between the student services office and the Graduate Students' Union (GSU), in consultation with the School of Graduate Studies (SGS), that offers a comprehensive program of seminars, workshops, social events and other resources designed to enhance the graduate student experience at U of T.

According to Mahadeo Sukhai, president of the GSU and fifth-year graduate student in medical biophysics, U of T is home to 43 per cent of doctoral stream graduate students in Ontario. The over 11,500 graduate students attending U of T face a unique set of challenges, Sukhai said,

"because of the size and complexity of the university and because of the complexity of the graduate programs at U of T and how they interface with SGS and the rest of the university." Just knowing who to talk to can be very helpful, he said. "Once they figure that out, everything else falls in to place."

For Marilyn van Norman, director of student services, there was one key concern. "Each grad student has a different need," she said. "There is something for everyone that is within the mandate of student services."

Seminars and workshops focus on issues around career, thesis writing, supervision, balancing school, family and/or work, dealing with stress and other health issues, housing, international and aboriginal student issues and all-important time management, which both Sukhai and van Norman feel to be the greatest need of graduate students — and one that was previously unaddressed at U of T.

A similar program for undergraduate students, the First Year Initiative, made its debut last year and was very popular among double cohort students.

HART HOUSE WEEKLY EVENTS

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

Tuesday, September 28

Amateur Radio Course, 6pm, South Dining Room. Runs to Nov. 2. \$25. Members sign up at the Hall Porter's Desk.

Wednesday, September 29

Art Lecture Series, "Let's Get Naked": "Canadian Abstract Art Revealed", Prof. Mark A. Cheetham, 4pm in the Justina M. Barnicke Gallery.

Thursday September 30

Open Stage, 8:30pm, Arbor Room. All Aspiring Artists Welcome!

Friday, October 1

Jazz at Oscars, 9pm, Arbor Room. Licensed. No cover. All welcome.

Sunday October 3

Carleton University Choir, 3pm in the Great Hall. Free. All welcome.

Tuesday, October 5

Underwater Club Scuba Certification Course begins Tue. Oct. 5, 7pm, Room 330, Athletic Centre, Benson Building. Bring bathing suit and towel.

Friday, October 8

Jazz at Oscars, 9pm, Arbor Room. Licensed. No cover. All welcome.

Wednesday, October 13 - 3rd Annual Trivia Challenge Night. Teams of four will be assigned at reception. Hot & cold hors d'oeuvres & dessert table. 6 pm reception 7 pm the games begin. Tickets: \$15 alumni; \$10 U of T students. Tickets: 416.978.2452.

Saturday, October 16 - Cider 'n' Song at Hart House Farm. Advance tickets at Hall Porter's Desk. Purchase early! Families & children welcome.

Wednesday, October 20 - Dinner Series with **Donald Ziraldo**, President and co-founder of Inniskillan Wines speaks on "Preserving Ontario's Green Space". 6pm reception for 6:30pm dinner. Tickets on sale at Membership Services Office 416.978.4732

ART 416.978.8398 www.utoronto.ca/gallery

The Justina M. Barnicke Gallery "Representing Abstraction". To Sep. 30. **Suzy Lake**, "Chrysalis", Oct. 7-Nov. 4. Artist present Oct. 6, 5-7pm.

The Arbor Room - Jacqueline Chu, Oct. 4-30.

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Performance Measures Expanded

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"we can identify certain indicators which, to the extent that they can be calculated consistently across universities and over time, can allow us to monitor our performance over time and in comparison to peer universities."

For the first time, the report compared data from the Institute for Scientific Information (ISI) Web of Knowledge database on publications and citations by U of T faculty in science disciplines. On publication counts, U of T ranks first among public universities in North America for all the science fields combined and second only to Harvard when private institutions are included. In citations, U of T ranks second to the University of Washington overall among public universities. In all science disciplines, on both publication and citation counts, U of T ranks ahead of all other Canadian universities.

Tuohy said the report doesn't fully address the state of the humanities and social sciences at U of T but "In the academic planning process, academic units have been asked to suggest ways in which they believe their contributions and progress can be appropriately assessed."

Another key performance measure is the average entering grades for students taking

undergraduate degree programs directly from high school. In this area, U of T continues to attract a higher than average calibre of student.

In the area of student demand and recruitment, U of T found that applications to first-entry undergraduate programs increased dramatically, partially attributable to the double cohort during which all Ontario universities saw great increases. Further, between 2001-02 and 2002-03, there was an increase of international students on campus, up from 7.5 per cent of the entering cohort to 8.8 per cent. In the area of student retention, the proportion of first-year students who continue to their second year remains high at about 94 per cent.

The report showed that U of T ranks first in all categories of research council funding, which is consistent with its goal of being the leading research university in Canada. The U of T library system also ranked well ahead of all other Canadian institutions and fourth overall in North America behind Harvard, Yale and Berkeley.

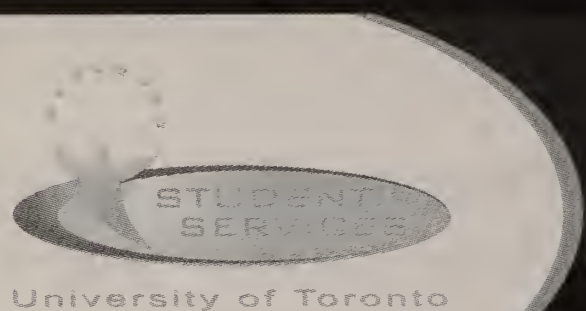
"Our peers are not standing still and neither should we," Tuohy said. "As a public university, reporting on our performance through reports such as this is an important way of fulfilling our

accountability to our governors and through them to the public as a whole."

And while the university is a leader in educational performance indicator research, council member Professor Phillip Byer of civil and environmental engineering stated that the university needs to more accurately measure student satisfaction in its report.

"After seven performance indicator reports what we still lack is information on the undergraduate student experience," he told council. "I keep hearing from newspapers that our students rank us poorly when it comes to student satisfaction and if we don't include this information in future reports it implies that we don't care. I want to know, what are we missing when it comes to what our students are thinking."

Provost Vivek Goel responded that the university has identified enhancing the student experience as its top priority. The university has taken part in the National Survey on Student Engagement and will present the results to University Affairs Board next spring. "This will enable us to assess how well we are doing on the student experience and to track our progress as we implement new initiatives arising from the academic plan."



INTRODUCING THE GSI (GRADUATE STUDENT INITIATIVE) PROGRAM

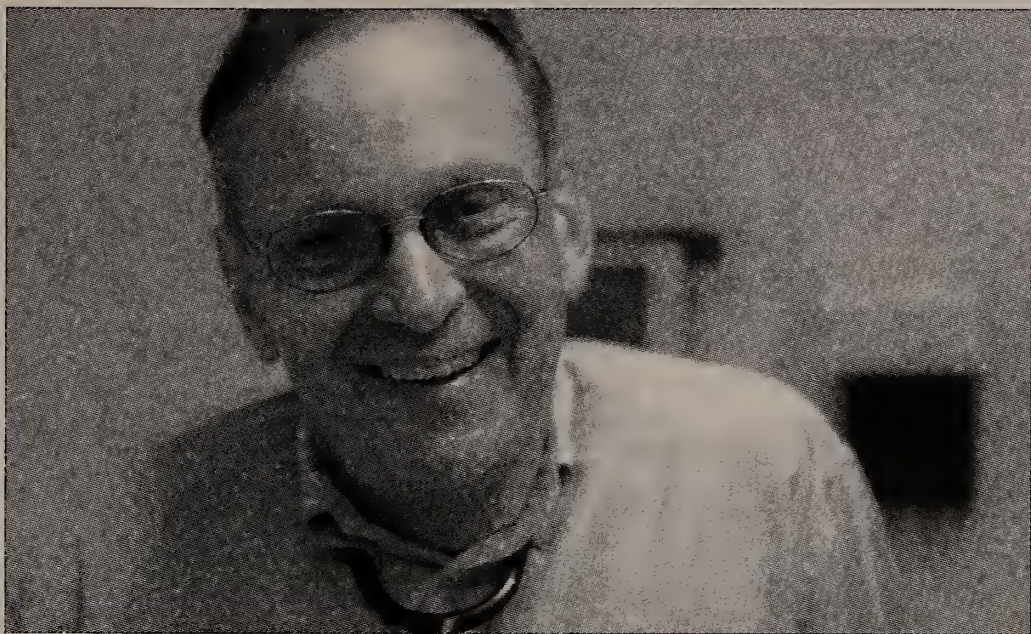
In partnership with the Graduate Students' Union, Student Services is excited to launch the GSI (Graduate Student Initiative) Program for graduate students this fall. Life as a graduate student can seem overwhelming at such a large university. This program is specifically designed to offer workshops, social events, and other resources to enhance the graduate student's experience. Workshops and other events will be offered throughout the academic year in areas such as choosing academic versus non-academic careers, thesis writing, supervisory conflict resolution, balancing school, family, and/or work, dealing with stress and other mental health issues, travel medicine, housing and settling in a new city, international and aboriginal student issues, cultural and social gatherings and much more. Visit the Student Services website for further details on the program and on how to register for event offerings. Here's your opportunity to take advantage of the wealth of counselling and support services designed specifically to help you thrive during your studies, so don't miss out!

www.studentservices.utoronto.ca

HEALTHY CHANGES

Continuing medical education follows learning curve

By ELAINE SMITH



Professor Dave Davis

U OF T'S CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME) program continues to change with the times, redefining itself to meet the needs of diverse audiences.

Ten years ago when Professor Dave Davis arrived at U of T from Hamilton, the program was mainly continuing education courses geared to medical professionals. Five years later, says medicine's associate dean for continuing education, the scope of the program had expanded, "but not sufficiently for the kind of health care changes and awareness we wanted in society."

Today, the program still runs traditional courses but it has broadened its scope and extended its reach. One facet of its expanded vision is a willingness to sponsor conferences organized by faculty members—currently, the Faculty of Medicine lends its name to between 40 and 50 medical conferences each year.

Research into how best to deliver information has become another of CME's offspring. The Knowledge-to-Practice program examines issues such as whether CME works, what affects absorption of important information and the best ways to deliver information about patient care in a timely manner.

Another new and important element is a focus on educating the public about health. Dr. Mike Evans, a faculty member and family practitioner, recently assumed the new post of director of public education for the Faculty of Medicine.

"My appointment reflects the changing paradigm," Evans says. "We're committed to improving the information for health decision-making and to positioning the university as a resource for the community."

"If we wanted to change health outcomes in the past, we targeted professionals, but there's emerging evidence that it works well if we also target the consumer."

Evans has been the driving force behind what Davis calls CME's "flagship" public education program, Mini-Med School. The popular six-session course teaches students about the workings of their bodies while helping them to become better informed health consumers. This year the program is offering a number of electives including one addressing Evans' pet project, taking charge of your own health.

Davis and Evans are also considering various other media for delivering health care messages such as a television show addressing common problems, a regular health care newsletter and a website full of research information and links to other sites. "It's part of our contract as a large, publicly funded institution," Davis says. "It's one of those goals we can live locally: helping the public to achieve better health outcomes."

The final piece of the puzzle is faculty development — training faculty members to be better educators. U of T's new Centre for Faculty Development, based at St. Michael's Hospital, assists faculty in obtaining teaching skills. "We're doing very exciting things with both new faculty and mid-career faculty," says Davis.

He's proud of all four facets of CME but he's keeping a particular eye on patient education. "It's most in need of nurturing and support," he says. "We're teaching people how to be advocates for themselves, able to articulate their own needs and take charge. It's not something we've done very well as doctors."

Zoology Uncovers Treasure Trove of U of T History

By Kristi Gourlay

IT'S NOT EVERY DAY THAT A CHANCE encounter at an academic conference leads to the discovery of a long-forgotten U of T treasure. This, however, is exactly what happened to Professor Polly Winsor last summer at a conference on the history of biology in Vienna.

Winsor, a professor at the Institute for the History and Philosophy of Science and Technology and cross-appointed to zoology, chose to go to a sparsely attended lecture where German zoologist Helmut Zacharis reported on the accidental discovery of a remarkable collection of oversized scientific illustrations at the

they found several that appeared to be much older and matched the description of the Leuckart charts.

With the encouragement of zoology chair James Thomson, Winsor enlisted the help of undergraduate student Gina Trubiani to undertake the monumental task of sifting through the entire collection to determine how many Leuckart charts U of T possessed. After many hours of carefully examining more than 800 dusty charts, Trubiani identified 18 original Leuckarts and 25 replicates that were made in-house in 1954 from existing but worn out originals. With contagious enthusiasm, Trubiani described the experience as "stepping into history, like being in a time machine."

Patricia Williams, long-time secretary of the department, shared the enthusiasm because she knew that so few records of zoology's early history have survived. Continuing the quest on her own, Williams discovered a further 12 charts in an old chest of drawers, which turned out to be the only known complete set of Leuckart's unfinished Series II. Williams also discovered three charts of unusually large size in the chest, also unique to U of T.

The value of the charts goes beyond their rarity. Thomson called them "pieces of U of T history" that show "how long U of T has been here and the fact that it has been an important player for over a century and a half." According to Winsor, the preservation of the charts also refutes the myth that scientists have no interest in history because someone in the department evidently felt they were something worth hanging on to even after they were replaced by other technologies.

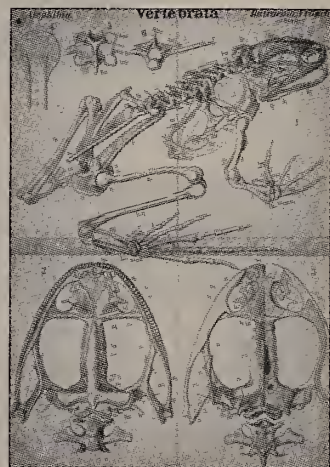
"We knew that these treasures deserved professional care," Thomson said, noting that they have found a new home in the



University of Pavia in northern Italy. "I was thrilled and impressed," Winsor said, "because he showed us gorgeous images of long-forgotten teaching charts, each consisting of four folio sheets pasted onto a canvas backing."

Published between 1887 and 1892 by pioneering German zoologist Rudolph Leuckart, one of the leading teachers of biology and zoology in late 19th-century Europe, the wall charts were part of a revolutionary shift that emphasized visual aids in learning. Hung at the front of the classroom while the instructor lectured, they were considered cutting-edge teaching technology at the time. In spite of their enormous cost — a full set was more than twice as expensive as the most costly microscope of the day — the charts were used worldwide by top universities.

Winsor recalled that she "could not wait to get back to Toronto to see if some of Leuckart's charts had survived here as well" and headed straight for the Ramsay Wright Zoological Laboratories to investigate zoology's substantial chart collection. Andy Rubaszek, the department's technical services manager, led her to a little-known storage room sandwiched between two lecture halls that still contains the horizontal wooden slats and rope and pulley system once used to display the charts. Most of the charts dated mainly from the 1940s to 1960s but before long



Thomas Fisher Rare Book Library. The Fisher has also arranged to have them digitized as part of their project to make rare illustrations from the history of biology and medicine widely available.

A reception will be held at the Fisher Rare Book Library Oct. 20 to mark the discovery.

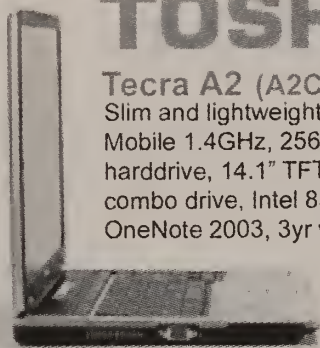
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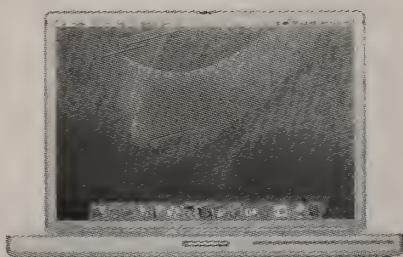
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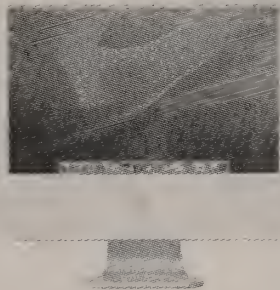
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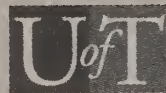
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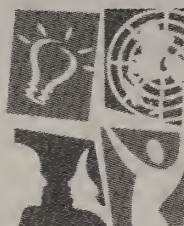
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THEY TOO ARE WON (OVER)

Research examines emotional impact of social comparisons on married couples

By JANICE WALLS

FINDING OUT THAT YOUR spouse is smarter than you are doesn't have to make you feel bad. In fact, many people who are close to their partners use the relationship to withstand comparisons that place them in an unflattering light, according to recent research by Professors Penelope Lockwood and Dan Dolderman of psychology.

Dolderman's research on relationships and Lockwood's work on social comparisons — how we compare ourselves to others — dovetailed naturally. "We're interested in these things because there is evidence suggesting that when a friend outperforms you, people find that very distressing and will sometimes even try to sabotage their friend's future performance," says Lockwood. "We thought that wouldn't make for a very happy marriage." The results of four studies using student couples at U of T were published in the July issue of the *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*.

Lockwood and Dolderman, who have been married three years, defined a close relationship as one in which partners saw each other as an important part of themselves. The studies were crafted to examine the effects that real comparisons would have rather than just comparisons that the participants were asked to imagine.

The couples were told the studies were designed to find out how people become involved in relationships and whether they tend to choose partners of comparable

intelligence. However, Lockwood and Dolderman actually were studying how partners would react to what they perceived as honest feedback on intelligence tests — the effect it would have on each partner's feelings of competence relative to the other and on their assessment of themselves as relationship partners.

"In one case they were told they did OK and their partner did great. In the other case, they were told they did OK but their partner didn't do very well," says Lockwood. "In fact, both members of the couple got the same feedback but they didn't realize it."

Lockwood and Dolderman focused on intelligence because they knew students cared deeply about that type of

performance, so their reactions to the "results" would be meaningful. However, they say, testing can be focused on any dimension that is important to couples — for example, their skills as parents or number of friends.

As more and more couples work in the same or related fields, comparisons are increasingly likely. Lockwood and Dolderman did not find evidence that being outperformed by a partner has a negative effect. However, they did find that people who are close to their partners can actually get a positive boost from the comparisons.

"When your partner is part of who you are, your relationship is a resource. So if you're in a close relationship, then that closeness — the relationship itself — can

help buffer the stress that you may face," Dolderman says.

In practice, Lockwood adds, this means that somebody in a close relationship may say, Maybe I'm not as smart as my partner but I'm warm, tolerant and accepting and we have a really good relationship.

The findings may have implications for couples' counselling because if counsellors recognize partners are dealing with comparisons poorly, they can take steps to encourage closeness.

Lockwood and graduate student Rebecca Pinkus are currently looking at the longevity of relationships to answer another question — whether people who respond negatively to comparisons manage to stay together.



DAVID STREET

Theologians, Religious Scholars Tackle Environmental Crisis

By Michah Rynor

FREAK STORMS, DEVASTATING hurricanes, floods, smog blankets and tainted water seem to be the global norm these days rather than the exception.

Fearful that solutions will continue to evade the traditional bureaucracies and research outfits whose mandate it is to come up with eco-cures, a group of Canadian theologians and academics is banding together to see if religion may be able to play a part in lessening the havoc wreaked by Mother Nature.

Professor Stephen Scharper of religious studies at U of T at Mississauga and environmental studies at Innis College, is one of the founders of the newly established Canadian Forum on Religion and Ecology. This group wants to find out how our religious lives, practices, culture and history of living on this planet have interfered with the way nature works.

In addition to religious scholars, the group will interact with environmental studies researchers and non-university based groups working in these areas. Together they will highlight the issues surrounding religion and ecology

both on an academic and pragmatic level.

"Religious groups have traditionally taken an active role in social issues such as aboriginal rights, modern-day slavery as well as women's and gay rights," he said. "What we want to do here is create, along with such organizations as the Common



Good Initiative [a religious group that looks at poverty and environmental issues] and environmental activists such as the Sierra Club, a way of looking at the historic role of creation in religious understanding, addressing the ethical traditions of all religious denominations

when it comes to the environmental crisis."

Scharper said his group, partially funded with a grant from the Forum on Religion and Ecology in the U.S., will explore and perhaps critique social and religious patterns and traditions in religions that haven't been helpful or have actually been destructive to the environment. "So there will be both constructive and critical dimensions to what we are uncovering," he said.

How we understand our place in the world as dictated by our religious beliefs will help uncover why we behave the way we do when it comes to the environment and how we can lead a spiritual life that allows us to change our value system without endangering our religious identity, he added.

The group will next meet in October at St. Jerome's University on the campus of the University of Waterloo where Professor Sallie McFague, distinguished theologian-in-residence at the Vancouver School of Theology and professor emeritus at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, will speak on eco-feminism, the analysis of the dual oppression of women and nature.



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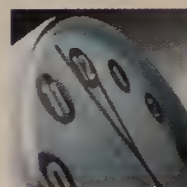
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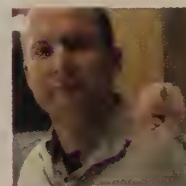
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ON THE OTHER HAND Naked on Olympus

By NICHOLAS PASHLEY

ALL OF US HERE AT THE ON THE OTHER Hand team welcome you back to the daily grind. Did you get away during the summer? Your correspondent had the oddly disorienting experience of being in England for the first half of the Olympics, where they had their own set of athletes who also weren't winning quite as many medals as everyone had hoped. The excitement over Britain's early medal in synchronized diving drove Canada's trampolining triumph off the front pages and back into the small print reserved for non-British competitors.

Since my short-range eyesight burned out from this quest, I was unable to follow the fortunes of the U of T athletes featured in our July issue. I hope they all did well. I believe I'm right in thinking that none of them was sent home in disgrace, which certainly seemed the early trend of the Athens Games. Would cheating medallists outnumber bent or bungling event judges?

I wasn't alone in being surprised once again at how many sports are represented, at how many athletes labour in utter obscurity for years waiting for their big chance. Presumably there are regular trampolining championships, held in complete secrecy far from the prying eyes of the media. I'm guessing that race walkers don't just appear from nowhere every four years. And don't get me started on sprint cycling, which seems to be not very much sprinting and a lot of practically stationary cyclists glaring at each other.

Watching the Olympics raises many questions in my mind. Why do swimmers get to win so many medals? It's because they have all these different strokes — back, breast, butterfly, the list goes on. Eventually they get to swim "freestyle," which means they can splash about any old way they like. This doesn't happen in running events, all of which are freestyle. Granted, sometimes they put hurdles in the way, which makes it more difficult. But why don't they have a 100-metre sprint in which they run backwards? Or jerk their arms about as if they're doing the hully-gully? "I like our chances in the 100-metre hully-gully, Brian. Smithers from Penticton is



world-class in this event."

And what's with the outfits? We are told that athletes in the original Olympics competed naked, which today would be great box office for some events, not so much for others. In any case, it's impossible nowadays. I see that the American network that broadcast the Super Bowl was fined \$550,000 US for that brief partial glimpse of Janet Jackson's breast. They're lucky she didn't flash the other one as well. Imagine what a naked Olympics would cost.

This thought struck me in an English pub, watching a much-loved English equestrian called Pippa doing something called dressage, which is pretty much tap dancing for horses. Pippa was wearing an outfit that looked like what a doorman might wear at a particularly expensive hotel, including a top hat. Perhaps the horse wouldn't respect her if she turned up in jeans and a T-shirt. Pippa's togs certainly wouldn't have been very practical for the marathon or sparkly enough for synchronized swimming and she might have been thought a little la-di-da on the beach volleyball court.

How do sporting outfits evolve? Why are soccer and rugby — sports designed to be played in English winters — played in shorts, while baseball — an American summer game — is played in long, originally woollen, trousers? And look at hockey — or not, if the management-labour unrest continues. In England, of course, "hockey" is taken to be a game played on grass by pony-tailed young women in short skirts. They also acknowledge a lesser game called "ice hockey." Here hockey is a winter game played on ice by men (and increasingly women) wearing shorts! Ugly, padded shorts worn over long woolly stockings, to be sure, but shorts nonetheless. How did that happen? Who was the first brave hockey player to turn up wearing shorts? And what did the other guys say? All responses, whether historical account or wild speculation, gratefully received.

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OLYMPIC HANGOVER

AFTER 16 DAYS OF ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENT THAT CAPTIVATED THE WORLD, GREEKS woke up to an Olympic-sized hangover — a projected debt of \$12 billion, making the Athens Games the most costly in history. Helen Lenskyj, a sociology professor who studies Olympic costs, was quoted in publications including the *Christian Science Monitor*, the *Orange County Register* and the *Taiwan News*, predicting that Greece could be saddled with their Olympic debt for decades to come. She pointed out that Montreal needed 20 years to pay off the 1976 Summer Games.

MALE TEACHERS RARE IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS

ACCORDING TO DATA FROM THE ONTARIO COLLEGE OF TEACHERS, ONLY ABOUT 30 per cent of teachers are men, and in the early grades the percentage declines to one in 10. But Professor Carl Corter, director of the Institute for Child Studies at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education of U of T, told the *Toronto Star* and the *Winnipeg Sun* Sept. 8 that having more men fulfil the role of teacher in younger grades would provide a broader social experience for children. Corter explained that the social movement towards greater awareness and prevention of abuse can sometimes dissuade men from pursuing a career in educating young children.

EXOPLANETARY NEIGHBOURS?

THE IMAGES CAPTURED BY EUROPEAN AND AMERICAN ASTRONOMERS OF TWO new objects outside our solar system could expand what is known about planets and stars, Professor Ray Jayawardhana of astronomy and astrophysics told *Astronomy* and MSNBC.com Sept. 11. The star, a brown dwarf, is located roughly 230 light-years from Earth and is circled by a planet that may weigh about five times as much as Jupiter. Jayawardhana explained that follow-up studies will examine whether the objects are moving in concert and further studies may reveal important clues about how brown dwarfs form.

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- 0830 Canada's Role in Global Health
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- 0850 The Global Battle against Major Diseases - Progress and Prospects
Prabhat Jha, Director, CGHR, St. Michael's Hospital and University of Toronto
- 0915 From Smallpox to SARS and Polio: What has the World Learned?
David Heymann, Executive Director, World Health Organization
- Success in the Americas: How Public Health Transformed Latin America
George Alleyne, Former Director of the Pan American Health Organization
- 1030 Everyone's Business - The Economics of Fighting Infectious Diseases
Chair: John Hunkin, Panelists include Olusoji Adeyi, Dean T. Jamison, and Stefaan Van der Borch
- 1230 Keynote Lecture: Emerging Diseases and Globalization (Laurie Garrett)
- 1400 Canada's Response
 - Canada's role in fighting global infectious diseases.
 - What should be the role of the Canadian Public Health Agency?
 - How can we best prepare for the "next" SARS?
 Chair: Honourable Ujjal Dosanjh*, Panelists include Donald Low, Allison McGeer, Francis A. Plummer, and an Ontario Government representative
- 1530 Local is Global - Experience from Developing Countries
Chair: David Maloney, Panelists include NK Ganguly, Gerald Keusch, Joshua Kimani, Rajesh Kumar, Sornchai Looareesuwan and Walter Jaoko*

DAY 2 HIGHLIGHTS

- 0830 Invited scientific presentations on HIV/AIDS, Influenza, SARS, Malaria, and Tuberculosis
- 1300 From Problem to Innovation
 - Advancing Canada's response to global infections
 - The role of universities, governments and the private sector
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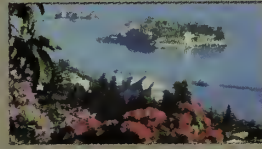
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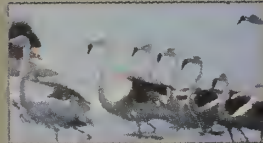
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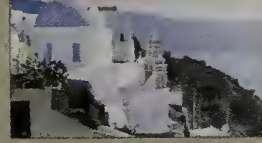
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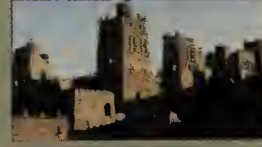
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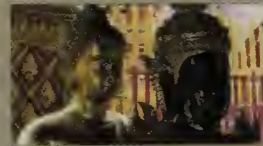
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LECTURES

Corrupted Biotopes.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
François Roche, R&S Architects, Paris. Room 103, 230 College St. 7 p.m. *Architecture, Landscape & Design*

Adaptation of Jurists' Law to Modern Times in an Alien Environment: The Case of Islamic Law in Israel.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
Prof. Aharon Layish, Hebrew University of Jerusalem. 200B Bancroft Hall, 4 Bancroft Ave. 2 p.m. *Near & Middle Eastern Civilizations*

Photonic Ban Gap Materials: Engineering the Fundamental Properties of Light.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
University Prof. Sajeev John, physics; University Professor series. George Ignatieff Theatre, 15 Devonshire Place. 7 p.m. *Global Knowledge Foundation, Arts & Science and Elderwood Foundation*

The Past, Present and Future of Medicare.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
Roy Romanow, head of the Commission on the Future of Health Care in Canada. Bennett Lecture Hall, Faculty of Law, 78 Queen's Park Cres. 12:10 p.m. *Law and Health Policy Management & Evaluation*

High or Low Art? Reconsidering Picasso's Ceramics.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
Prof. Robert Rosenblum, New York University; Picasso lectures. 140 University College. 6 p.m. For tickets call 416-586-8080. *U of T Art Centre*

Engineering the Ocean.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
Marcia McNutt, president and CEO, Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute; J. Tuzo Wilson lecture. Isabel Bader Theatre, Victoria College, 93 Charles St. W. 8 p.m. *Arts & Science*

The Literature of Africa and Its Diaspora.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4
Tayeb Salih, novelist, short-story writer and broadcaster; Conversations: Writers and Readers in Dialogue series. William Doo Auditorium, New College Residence, 45 Wilcocks St. 6 p.m. *Chancellor Jackman Program for the Arts*

Prisoners and Sacrificial Victims in Iron Age and Roman Europe: Chaining and Shaming From Llyn Cerrig to Sarmizegetusa.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5
Miranda Green, internationally acclaimed author. Charbonnel Lounge, St. Michael's College, 81 St. Mary St. 6 p.m. *Celtic Studies Program*

In Ciphered Rivers.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5
Robert Mangurian and Mary-Ann Ray, Studio Works, SCI-Arc, Los Angeles, and B.A.S.E., Beijing. Room 103, 230 College St. 7 p.m. *Architecture, Landscape & Design*

Simple and Complex Issues in Neuroethics.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6
Prof. Michael Gazzaniga, Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire;

annul Jus lecture. Great Hall, 88 College St. 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. *Joint Centre for Bioethics*

Dean's Inaugural Address.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12
Prof. George Baird, Faculty of Architecture, Landscape, and Design. Room 103, 230 College St. 7 p.m. *Architecture, Landscape & Design*

The Future of Aegean Prehistory and the Problem of Archeology vs. Science.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13
Prof. Sturt Manning, fine art; inaugural lecture of the Walter Graham/Homer Thomson Chair in Aegean Prehistory. 1160 Bahen Centre for Information Technology. 6 p.m. *Fine Art*

Curing a Fanatic: Bringing Peace to the Middle East.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13
Prof. Amos Oz, Ben Gurion University of the Negev. Auditorium, Medical Sciences Building. 8 p.m. *Jewish Studies Program*

COLLOQUIA

The Historical Basis of Mind.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
Prof. David Johnson, York University. 9-105 OISE/UT, 252 Bloor St. W. 12:30 to 2 p.m. *Human Development & Applied Psychology, OISE/UT*

Modern Purebred Breeding: A Scientific or Cultural Method.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
Prof. Margaret Derry, University of Guelph, 323 Old Victoria College Building. 4 p.m. *History & Philosophy of Science & Technology*

Applying the Science of Learning at Rotman.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1
Prof. Milton Hakel, Bowling Green State University; organizational behaviour and human resource management speaker series. 133 Joseph L. Rotman School of Management, 105 St. George St. 2 to 3:30 p.m. *Rotman School of Management*

Designing Quantum Systems for Nano-spintronics, Nanophotonics and Quantum Information Processing.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7
Pawel Hawrylak, National Research Council of Canada. 102 McLennan Physical Laboratories. 4:10 p.m. *Physics*

A Framework for Bullying Interventions: Scaffolding and Social Architecture.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6
Prof. Debra Pepler, York University. 9-105 OISE/UT, 252 Bloor St. W. 12:30 to 2 p.m. *Human Development & Applied Psychology, OISE/UT*

Challenges to a Unified Sri Lankan Nation State: National and International Perspectives.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12
Prof. David Cameron, political science, and Dr. Joseph Chandrakanthan, Joint Centre for Bioethics; Religion, International Diplomacy & Economics series. 108N Munk Centre for International Studies. Noon to 1:30 p.m. *Trinity College, International Studies and Study of Religion*

Information, Genes and Causality.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13
Prof. Ronald de Sousa, philosophy. 323 Old Victoria College Building. 4 p.m.

EVENTS

History & Philosophy of Science & Technology

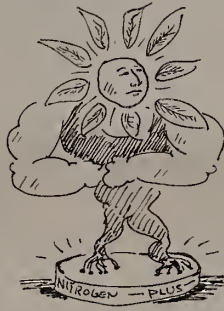
Conversation on Theological Education in China.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13
Prof. Raymond Whitehead, University of Winnipeg; advanced degree students circle. Combination Room, Trinity College. 4:30 to 6 p.m. *Divinity, Trinity College*

SEMINARS

The Future of Our Water: Essential to Life and Security or Emerging Crisis?

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
Tom Muir, former senior environmental economist, Great Lakes & Corporate Affairs, Environment Canada. 2093 Earth Sciences Centre. 4 p.m. *Environmental Studies*



How Nutrients Sculpt Plant Growth and Development.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1
Prof. Malcolm Campbell, botany. B142 Earth Sciences Centre. 3 p.m. *Botany*

A Molecular Switch That Controls the Motivation for Reward in Naive vs. Deprived States.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1
Prof. Derek van der Kooy, medical biophysics. 1084 Sidney Smith Hall. 4 p.m. *Psychology*

The Role of Cell Cycling During Vascular Development in Leaves of Arabidopsis thaliana.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8
Julie Kan, PhD thesis evaluation. B142 Earth Sciences Centre. 3 p.m. *Botany*

MEETINGS & CONFERENCES

Academic Board.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
Council Chamber, Simcoe Hall. 4:10 p.m.

University Affairs Board.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
Council Chamber, Simcoe Hall. 4:30 p.m.

Business Board.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6
Council Chamber, Simcoe Hall. 5 p.m.

MUSIC

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Thursdays at Noon.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
Sonata highlights: performances by students in the piano/instrumental class. Walter Hall. 12:10 p.m.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7
Music & poetry: Lorna MacDonald, soprano; Peter Stoll, clarinet; John Hawkins, piano. Walter Hall. 12:10 p.m.

World of Music.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3

Concert to honour the memory of Prof. Em. Lothar Klein. Walter Hall. 2:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6
Karthleen Parlow String Concerto Competition: three student finalists. Walter Hall. 1 p.m.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7
Opera Division benefit recital: Joni Henson, soprano; Andrea Grant, piano. Walter Hall 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$50.

Chamber Music Series.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4
Brentano Quartet: Mark Steinberg, Serena Canin, violins; Misha Amory, viola; Nina Lee, cello. Walter Hall. 7 p.m. Tickets \$21, students and seniors \$11.

Voice Performance Class.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5
Etiquette for the stage. Walter Hall. 12:10 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12
Student performances. Walter Hall. 12:10 p.m.

Jazz Concerts.

WEDNESDAYS, OCTOBER 6 AND OCTOBER 13
Small jazz ensembles. Walter Hall. 8 p.m.

PLAYS & READINGS

U of T Bookstore Series.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
Stories of altered lives: Louis de Bernieres brings his new novel *Birds Without Wings* and Beth Powning her new novel *The Hatbox Letters*. Music Room, Hart House. 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1
A good book ... or 12: Alberto Manguel brings his new book *A Reading Diary: A Year of Favorite Books*. Library, Hart House. 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4
Excitement, passion and creativity: Kay Redfield Jamison discusses her latest book *Exuberance: The Passion for Life*. Large auditorium, Centre for Addiction & Mental Health, 250 College St. 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5
Fabulous fiction: John Bemrose reads from his most recent novel *The Island Walters*, Damon Galtut reads from *The Good Doctor* and Anne Michaels from her yet untitled, new novel. Library, Hart House. 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6
Women of mystery: Gail Bowen reads from her new Joanne Kilbourn novel *The Last Good Day*, Lindsey Davis reads from the new Marcus Didius Falco novel *Scandal Takes a Holiday*, Laura Lippman from her latest Tess Monaghan mystery *By a Spider's Thread* and Val McDermid from her new thriller *The Torment of Others*. Robert Gill Theatre, Koffler Student Services Centre. 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7
Extraordinary fiction: S.E. Hinton discusses her new novel *Hawkes Harbor* and Patrick Watson his new novel *Wittgenstein and the Goshawk: A Fable*. Library, Hart House. 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13
So what are you rebelling against? Joseph Heath and Andrew Potter discuss their new collaboration *The Rebel Sell: Why the Culture Can't be Jammed*. Innis College Town Hall. 7:30 p.m.

EXHIBITIONS

ROBERTS LIBRARY Proud Past: University of

Toronto LGBTQ History

TO SEPTEMBER 30
Articles, photographs and personal memoirs dating back to the founding of the U of T Homophile Association in 1969 and carrying through to the present. 2nd floor display area. Hours: Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Sunday, 1 to 10 p.m.

JUSTINA M. BARNICKE GALLERY HART HOUSE

Representing Abstraction.

TO SEPTEMBER 30
Paintings from the Hart House Permanent Collection; artists include Lawren Harris, Bertram Brooker, Jean-Paul Riopelle, William Ronald, Jack Bush, Denyse Thomasos and Angela Leach. Both Galleries. Gallery hours: Monday to Friday, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 1 to 4 p.m.

BLACKWOOD GALLERY U OF T AT MISSISSAUGA The Altered Landscape

TO OCTOBER 17
Photographs of the landscape as altered by human intervention; drawn from the Carl Franc Buck Collection of the Nevada Museum of Art. Gallery hours: Monday to Friday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, 1 to 6 p.m.

DORIS MCCARTHY GALLERY U OF T AT SCARBOROUGH Constructive Folly.

TO OCTOBER 24
Sculpture, video, photography and drawing featuring Toronto artists Adrian Blackwell, James Carl, Phillip Grauer, Daniel Borins & Jennifer Marman, Galen Kuellmer, Olia Mishchenko and Lyla Rye. Gallery hours: Tuesday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Sunday, noon to 5 p.m.

U OF T ART CENTRE Picasso and Ceramics.

SEPTEMBER 29 TO JANUARY 23
Exhibition features 80 unique pieces by Picasso as well as examples of historic pottery that inspired his work. Posters designed by Picasso for the annual Vallauris potters exhibitions, preparatory sketches and photographs of the artist working in clay complete the exhibition; jointly realized by Musée des beaux-arts du Québec and the Gardiner Museum in partnership with the U of T Art Centre with the support of Desjardins Group. Hours: Tuesday to Sunday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tickets \$16, students and seniors \$12, children \$10, children four and under free; available at 416-872-1212, 1-800-461-3333, www.ticketing.com, also available at the door.

THOMAS FISHER RARE BOOK LIBRARY NOW and the '80s:

A Photographic Exhibition.

OCTOBER 4 TO DECEMBER 21
Exhibition features original photographs used in *NOW Magazine*, focusing of the 1980s. Hours: Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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SURVIVING THE JUNGLE

Plight of lowland gorillas in Congo tied to our own future

BY KERRY BOWMAN

I AM SLEEPING MUCH BETTER, SETTLING INTO A GENTLE CANADIAN ROUTINE. I HAVE JUST returned from the volatile eastern region of the Democratic Republic of Congo. I was there because gorillas, one of the four great ape species, are in great peril.

In fact all great apes of the world are threatened with extinction within 10 years. The ethical and scientific implications of this are staggering. Here in the West, fuelled by scientific advances and insight into genetics, linguistics and the expression of culture, our understanding of the great apes has deepened in recent years. So, too, the moral circle has begun to expand — the rights of women and non-whites were once ridiculed. Profound questions are now being raised about sentient creatures like great apes, such as how

can they be seen as mere property and used in research, justified solely by the fact they are members of another species? The paradox between this burgeoning awareness and the advent of their extinction at human hands is remarkable. That there is so little effort from the developed world to safeguard their survival is almost unbelievable.

Unfortunately, gorillas only live in volatile, unstable regions with poor infrastructure and crumbling economies; the task for conservation is huge. Most people are familiar with mountain gorillas through the well-publicized work of the late Dian Fossey, unaware that the majority of gorillas live in lowland areas and face different yet far more deadly threats.

The great threat to the lowland gorilla (and much Central and West African fauna) is bushmeat — human consumption of African forest animals from rodents to elephants as well as, occasionally, gorillas, chimpanzees and bonobos. Occasional domestic use has given way to a large commercial enterprise and the great apes of Africa are now being eaten into oblivion. European and Asian logging companies have carved new roads into the forests, paving the way for hunters, traders and settlers. With foreign logging providing infrastructure, a tenacious symbiosis between logging and hunting has taken root and a thriving commercial enterprise in bushmeat has exploded. Perhaps the greatest victims are the critically endangered eastern lowland gorillas living only in the eastern Congo. On top of these threats they live in an extremely politically volatile region, named by the United Nations as one of the five most dangerous places in the world.

Drawing attention to the plight of the lowland gorillas has been truly difficult, as they have been greatly eclipsed by the media attention given to mountain gorillas and the legacy of Dian Fossey. This, combined with negative attitudes towards the feasibility of assistance to Africa in general and Congo in particular, has made it a true challenge. Furthermore, the media, due to an almost symbiotic relation between western interests and stories covered, have shown little interest in Congo; a five-year war resulting in almost 3 million deaths has been barely acknowledged.

Although the war in Congo officially ended in 2002, serious political instability and ethnic tension in the eastern region bordering Rwanda threaten a complete collapse of this fragile peace. The situation in eastern Congo is complex, multifaceted and closely woven with the politics and ambitions of other nations, particularly Rwanda. In this region, most of the remaining eastern lowland gorillas live in a spectacular national park called Kahuzi-Biega, declared a world heritage site in 1976. However, the park has in recent years taken on great military significance and is occupied by dangerous militias. The Interahamwe, for example, (the militia that perpetuated the genocidal massacre in Rwanda in 1994), is deeply embedded in the interior. Militias are also mining in the park with profits often used to purchase arms. Under these conditions gorillas and other animals are used as a food source for the burgeoning military and mining camps. Eastern lowland gorillas have declined by an estimated 85 to 90 per cent in the last six years alone.

Yet the park guards and dedicated Congolese conservationists persist in their work, despite not being paid for months on end — they have kept several groups of eastern lowland gorillas alive during six years of war and instability and have, several times, had their own homes destroyed in militia attacks.

My objectives for this trip were to bring in much needed funds, assess programs, gain more information on orphaned gorillas and chimpanzees and let our Congolese colleagues

know they have not been forgotten, that they are the backbone of a larger, vital mission that has global meaning. The situation was tense; the region was recovering from a brutal two-week occupation in June by rebel forces which involved rape, looting and executions. Travel is labourious, roads are shattered and cavernous, military roadblocks and searches consume enormous amounts of time and energy, and deadly militias are hidden in the surrounding forests.

I was made acutely aware of the ever-present dangers on this trip. One night, despite being in the provincial capital which is heavily defended by national troops and only a few hundred metres from a UN checkpoint, we were suddenly

surrounded on a dark wooded stretch of road by military of unknown origin with semi-automatic rifles demanding our money and possessions. I miraculously escaped into the forest saving the greatly needed program money but my Congolese associates were not so lucky — two other road attacks the next night resulted in the death of a jeep driver and serious injury to two South African peacekeepers. I have many colleagues who say, Why do this when the risks eclipse the benefits?

But do they? I believe a job is better judged by its importance, by the value of its outcome rather than its difficulty. I am also asked how I can possibly focus on animal protection in the face of such enormous human suffering and need. Yet, the reality is human and environmental need are interwoven. Any realistic and effective approach to protecting endangered species and the environment requires strategies that involve nurturing human societies. Furthermore, a healthy eco-system and environment are essential to the well-being of human societies, particularly in Africa where people live so much closer to the earth.

The gorillas of Africa will not make it if Africa cannot. Conservation projects include paying school fees for local children, micro-loans for women and agricultural enhancement projects, among many more. It was gratifying to see Congolese women using the Internet to obtain advice on new agricultural techniques. The Internet also proved vital in the last military emergency, providing many women and their children with advanced warning of approaching danger.

Many of us in the West choose to see such regions as a lost cause yet the reality is less simple and more nuanced. Clearly, program losses can be high and long-term planning is difficult. Yet even under these extreme political and military conditions there was evidence everywhere of how foreign assistance was protecting human and animal life and offering hope in this pivotal, dangerous period. Even here at the University of Toronto I often encounter people who tell me that Africa is a lost cause and trying to help is futile.

Futile? After only 60 post-colonial years of random, poorly co-ordinated initiatives with no coherent strategy? I see this as giving up far too easily. A question I often ask myself is, Do we bear any moral responsibility to this situation? I believe we do. I do not propose for a moment that this situation was caused by colonialism alone. Colonialism is often dismissed as an old, overstated argument yet many people know very little about how colonial powers executed their authority. The now well-documented but rarely acknowledged colonial history of Belgian Congo, now the Democratic Republic of Congo, was extreme and predatory, bordering on genocide. This history has combined with subsequent dictatorship, local corruption, greed and multiple foreign interventions to bring Congo to the status of a virtual failed state. Endless arguments can be mounted as to who bears responsibility for this situation. For me, it comes down to this — is there a relationship between our success and wealth and their suffering and poverty? I believe, without a doubt, there is. After several trips to Congo in recent years I am now more convinced of the viability and moral duty of assisting both human and non-human life in any way possible; it is vital to our survival.

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